## REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT FOUNDATION

a subsidiary of Community Foundation Santa Cruz County

December 15, 2010

Department of Water Resources DIRWM PO BOX 942836 Sacramento, CA 94236-0001 Attention: Joe Yun

**RE: Support for Proposition 84 Planning Grant Funding Recommendations** 

Dear Mr. Yun,

The Regional Water Management Foundation (RWMF) supports the Department of Water Resource's (DWR) Proposition 84 Planning Grant funding recommendations. We are pleased with DWR's recommendation for full funding of the proposal submitted by the Santa Cruz Region. These funds will help the Region update the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan to ensure the Plan meets the state's standards and addresses the water resources challenges facing our region. This funding will support development of climate change response strategies, improved data management, performance and monitoring methods, and strengthen the linkages between IRWM planning and local land use planning. This funding supports key technical studies that will further IRWM Planning efforts in the Santa Cruz Region.

In addition, the RWMF supports DWR's recommendations for funding the other Central Coast regions. The Santa Cruz IRWM Region collaborates with the other Central Coast IRWM regions to promote planning efforts. We look forward to collaboration with the Pajaro IRWM Region on several of their Plan update tasks that benefit shared resources.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 831-662-2000. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT FOUNDATION

Ralph Miljanich

President of the Board of Directors

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